

FOI DOF/2024-0359

Request

1. Can you please clarify how many current EO2 vacancies there are within the Omagh area.
2. Provide a breakdown of EO2 vacancies per Department within the Omagh area.
3. Including EO2 positions currently filled by staff temporarily promoted within the Omagh area?
4. Can you please also confirm when this data was obtained?

DoF Response

I can confirm the department holds some of the information requested.

1. & 2.

Details of the total vacancies in each department is not held centrally by Department of Finance. Each Civil Service department is responsible for managing its resources – both financial and staff. Each department determines its individual workforce needs and is responsible for ensuring that any additional staffing resources are affordable. When a department identifies a vacancy that needs filled, the request is referred to NICS HR to initiate the process to fill the post. NICS HR liaises with all departments on an ongoing basis to seek to prioritise recruitment activity within allocated financial and staff resources.

As at the end of July 2024, (the most recent figures available at the time of the request), there were no vacancies at EO2 and analogous grades based in Omagh on the NICS HR caseload.

3. The management and recording of temporary promotions are the responsibility of individual business areas in Departments. Temporary promotions can be for several different business reasons, such as covering vacant posts, special exercises etc.

The table below provides a breakdown, by Department, on the number of staff on temporary promotion to Executive Officer 2 and analogous grades based in Omagh, as at month end July 2024 (the most current data available at time of request).

DEPARTMENT	NUMBER OF STAFF
DAERA	2
DfC	4
DfI	7
DoF	2
TOTAL	15

4. Information in relation to the number of EO2 vacancies and temporary promotions to EO2 grade, based in Omagh was obtained on 1 August 2024 and reflects the position as at 31 July 2024.